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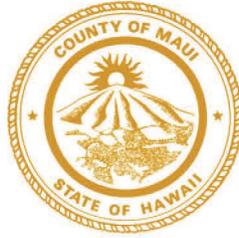
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February 24, 2026

Mary Alice Evans, Director  
State of Hawai'i  
Office of Planning and Sustainable Development  
Environmental Review Program  
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**SUBJECT: FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT DETERMINATION  
OF ACCEPTANCE FOR THE PROPOSED CENTRAL MAUI  
WASTEWATER RECLAMATION FACILITY PROJECT; MAUI,  
HAWAII**

Dear Ms. Evans:

The governor issued a letter dated June 2, 2023 designating the County of Maui, Department of Environmental Management DEM as the authorized representative for reviewing, processing, and accepting the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Proposed Central Maui Wastewater Reclamation Facility Project located in Waikapū, Maui, Hawai'i, pursuant to Hawai'i Administrative Rules (HAR) §11-200.1-7(b).

As the Accepting Authority, the DEM hereby accepts the Final EIS for the subject project, published in the February 23, 2026 edition of *The Environmental Notice*, as satisfactory fulfillment of the requirements of Chapter 343, Hawai'i Revised Statutes (HRS) and HAR §11-200.1-28.

The procedures for assessment, consultation process, review, and the preparation and submission of the EIS, from proposal of the action to publication of the Final EIS, have all been completed satisfactorily as specified in HAR §11-200.1; the content requirements described in HAR §11-200.1 have been satisfied; and comments submitted during the review process have received responses satisfactory to the DEM, including properly identifying comments as substantive and responding in a way commensurate to the comment, and have been appropriately incorporated into the Final EIS.

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I respectfully request that this Determination of Acceptance be published in the next available edition of *The Environmental Notice*. An electronic copy of this letter has been uploaded to the Environmental Review Program online submittal form.

Should you have any questions, please contact the DEM's planning consultant, Yukino Uchiyama of Munekiyo Hiraga, at 808) 983-1233. Thank you very much for your assistance with this request.

Sincerely,



Digitally signed by Michael D.  
Petersen (Deputy Director) for  
Shayne R. Agawa  
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for Shayne Agawa, P.E., Director  
Department of Environmental Management

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**Action Name**

Proposed Central Maui Wastewater Reclamation Facility

**Type of Document/Determination**

Final environmental impact statement (FEIS) acceptance or non-acceptance

**HRS §343-5(a) Trigger(s)**

- (1) Propose the use of state or county lands or the use of state or county funds
- (6) Propose any amendments to existing county general plans where the amendment would result in designations other than agriculture, conservation, or preservation
- (9)(A) Propose any wastewater treatment unit, except an individual wastewater system or a wastewater treatment unit serving fewer than fifty single-family dwellings or the equivalent

**Judicial district**

Wailuku, Maui

**Tax Map Key(s) (TMK(s))**

(2)3-5-001:017; (2)3-5-001:120; (2)3-5-002:014; (2)3-5-020:036; (2)3-6-002:003; (2)3-6-002:004; (2)3-8-005:023; Waikapu Stream; Wai'ale Road (Right-of-Way (ROW)); Waiko Road (ROW)

**Action type**

Agency

**Other required permits and approvals**

See Chapter X of Final EIS (published in the February 23, 2026 edition of The Environmental Notice)

**Proposing/determining agency**

County of Maui, Department of Environmental Management

**Agency jurisdiction**

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**Is there a consultant for this action?**

Yes

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**Action summary**

The County of Maui, Department of Environmental Management (DEM) is proposing to develop a new Central Maui Wastewater Reclamation Facility (WWRF) and onsite Soil Aquifer Treatment (SAT) system on approximately 14.9 acres of former agricultural lands between Honoapi'ilani Highway and Kūihelani Highway in Waikapū, as well as related offsite infrastructure improvements. Offsite improvements consist of a wastewater pump station (WWPS) near the existing master-planned Kehalani community, a sewage pipeline from the Kehalani WWPS to the new WWRF, portions of sewage pipeline and R-1 recycled water pipeline to connect the WWRF and the future Waikapū Country Town development, and a WWRF access road. The proposed WWRF will service existing and planned developments throughout the Waikapū/Wailuku area, as well as State of Hawai'i projects in

Pūlehunui.

**Attached documents (signed agency letter & EA/EIS)**

- [2026-02.24-FEIS-Acceptance-Letter-WWRD-JR.ADA\\_.pdf](#)

**Action location map**

- [COM\\_Central\\_Maui\\_Wastewater\\_Reclamation\\_Facility\\_Draft\\_EIS.Shapefiles2.zip](#)

**Compliance certification (HRS §368-1.5):**

The authorized individual listed below certifies that documents submitted are unlocked, searchable, and compliant with the Hawaii Electronic Information Technology Disability Access Standards (including, but not limited to transcripts, captions, and other descriptions accompanying audio/video files). The individual acknowledges that the submitter retains the responsibility for compliance after documents have been published and any compliance queries will be directed back to the agency and/or applicant.

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**Authorization**

- The above named authorized individual hereby certifies that he/she has the authority to make this submission.